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Mr. Stan Meiburg
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Dear Mr. Meiburg:

I would like to invite you to testify before the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment regarding "The Tennessee Valley Authority's Kingston Ash Slide: Potential Water Quality Impacts of Coal Combustion Waste Storage." The hearing will take place on Tuesday, March 31, 2009 at 2:00 p.m., in Room 2167 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

The Subcommittee would like to hear testimony regarding the December 22, 2008 coal ash spill at the Tennessee Valley Authority's Kingston Fossil Plant and the ongoing response efforts. The Subcommittee is especially interested in the water quality implications of the spill.

Witnesses must submit 20 copies of written testimony to Room B-376 Rayburn House Office Building, to the attention of Jenna Tatum, by close of business on Friday, March 27, 2009. In addition, 75 copies of testimony must be delivered to 2165 Rayburn House Office Building, to the attention of Jimmy Miller, by close of business on Friday, March 27, 2009. Name, mailing address, organization represented, and telephone number must appear on the face of the testimony.

For the purpose of complying with House Rule XI, clause 2(e)(4), requiring each committee to make its publications available in electronic form to the maximum extent practicable, each witness must submit testimony in electronic format to Jenna Tatum at Jenna.Tatum@mail.house.gov, by close of business on Friday, March 27, 2009. Please note that you are also welcome to include a PowerPoint presentation as part of your oral testimony. If you choose to do so, please provide the Committee staff with an electronic version of the PowerPoint file as soon as possible so that arrangements may be made.

Witnesses are recommended to limit their testimony to a five-minute oral summary of their statements. The full statement will be included in the printed record of the hearing.

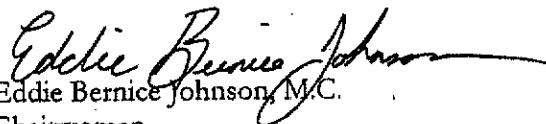
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If you need special accommodations, please contact Jimmy Miller at (202) 225-4472 at least four days before the hearing.

If you or your staff has any questions, please contact Jenna Tatum at (202) 225-0060. Our facsimile number is (202) 225-4627.

I look forward to your testimony.

Sincerely,


Eddie Bernice Johnson, M.C.
Chairwoman